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- 2 To repeal sections 86.200, 86.213, 86.251,
- 3 86.254, 86.255, 86.256, 104.625, and
- 4 104.1024, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof
- 5 twelve new sections relating to public
- 6 retirement systems, with an emergency clause.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI, AS FOLLOWS:

Section A. Sections 86.200, 86.213, 86.251, 86.254, 86.255, 86.256, 104.625, and 104.1024, RSMo, are repealed and twelve new sections enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as sections 86.200, 86.213, 86.251, 86.254, 86.255, 86.256, 86.294, 86.296, 87.177, 87.231, 104.625, and 104.1024, to read as follows:

86.200. The following words and phrases as used in sections 86.200 to 86.366, unless a different meaning is plainly required by the context, shall have the following meanings:

- (1) "Accumulated contributions", the sum of all mandatory contributions deducted from the compensation of a member and credited to the member's individual account, together with members' interest thereon;
- (2) "Actuarial equivalent", a benefit of equal value when computed upon the basis of mortality tables and interest assumptions adopted by the board of trustees;
 - (3) "Average final compensation":

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EXPLANATION-Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in boldface type in the above law is new proposed language.

(a) With respect to a member who earns no creditable service on or after October 1, 2001, the average earnable compensation of the member during the member's last three years of creditable service as a police officer, or if the member has had less than three years of creditable service, the average earnable compensation of the member's entire period of creditable service;

- (b) With respect to a member who is not participating in the DROP pursuant to section 86.251 on October 1, 2001, who did not participate in the DROP at any time before such date, and who earns any creditable service on or after October 1, 2001, the average earnable compensation of the member during the member's last two years of creditable service as a policeman, or if the member has had less than two years of creditable service, then the average earnable compensation of the member's entire period of creditable service;
- (c) With respect to a member who is participating in the DROP pursuant to section 86.251 on October 1, 2001, or whose participation in DROP ended before such date, who returns to active participation in the system pursuant to section 86.251, and who terminates employment as a police officer for reasons other than death or disability before earning at least two years of creditable service after such return, the portion of the member's benefit attributable to creditable service earned before

DROP entry shall be determined using average final compensation as defined in paragraph (a) of this subdivision; and the portion of the member's benefit attributable to creditable service earned after return to active participation in the system shall be determined using average final compensation as defined in paragraph (b) of this subdivision;

- (d) With respect to a member who is participating in the DROP pursuant to section 86.251 on October 1, 2001, or whose participation in the DROP ended before such date, who returns to active participation in the system pursuant to section 86.251, and who terminates employment as a police officer after earning at least two years of creditable service after such return, the member's benefit attributable to all of such member's creditable service shall be determined using the member's average final compensation as defined in paragraph (b) of this subdivision;
- (e) With respect to a member who is participating in the DROP pursuant to section 86.251 on October 1, 2001, or whose participation in DROP ended before such date, who returns to active participation in the system pursuant to section 86.251, and whose employment as a police officer terminates due to death or disability after such return, the member's benefit attributable to all of such member's creditable service shall be determined using the member's average final compensation as defined in paragraph (b) of this subdivision; [and]

(f) If a member who is described in paragraph (c) or (e) of this subdivision completes less than one full year of creditable service after returning to active participation in the system, the member's earnable compensation for the period immediately prior to DROP entry shall be added to the member's earnable compensation after the member's return to active participation for purposes of determining such member's average final compensation for his or her last year of creditable service; and

- (g) With respect to the surviving spouse or surviving dependent child of a member who earns any creditable service on or after October 1, 2001, the average earnable compensation of the member during the member's last two years of creditable service as a police officer or, if the member has had less than two years of creditable service, the average earnable compensation of the member's entire period of creditable service;
- (4) "Beneficiary", any person in receipt of a retirement allowance or other benefit;
- (5) "Board of police commissioners", any board of police commissioners, police commissioners and any other officials or boards now or hereafter authorized by law to employ and manage a permanent police force in such cities;
- (6) "Board of trustees", the board provided in sections 86.200 to 86.366 to administer the retirement system;
 - (7) "Creditable service", prior service plus membership

service as provided in sections 86.200 to 86.366;

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- (8) "DROP", the deferred retirement option plan provided for in section 86.251;
- "Earnable compensation", the annual salary which a member would earn during one year on the basis of the member's rank or position as specified in the applicable salary matrix in section 84.160, RSMo, plus additional compensation for academic work as provided in subsection 9 of section 84.160, RSMo, plus shift differential as provided in subdivision (4) of subsection 10 of section 84.160, RSMo. Such amount shall [be determined without regard to] include the member's deferrals to a deferred compensation plan pursuant to Section 457 of the Internal Revenue Code or to a cafeteria plan pursuant to Section 125 of the Internal Revenue Code or, effective October 1, 2001, to a transportation fringe benefit program pursuant to Section 132(f)(4) of the Internal Revenue Code. Earnable compensation shall not include a member's additional compensation for overtime, standby time, court time, nonuniform time or unused vacation time. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the earnable compensation taken into account under the plan established pursuant to sections 86.200 to 86.366 with respect to a member who is a noneligible participant, as defined in this subdivision, for any plan year beginning on or after October 1, 1996, shall not exceed the amount of compensation that may be taken into

- account under Section 401(a)(17) of the Internal Revenue Code, as adjusted for increases in the cost of living, for such plan year. For purposes of this subdivision, a "noneligible participant" is an individual who first becomes a member on or after the first day of the first plan year beginning after the earlier of:
- 6 (a) The last day of the plan year that includes August 28,
 7 1995; or
 - (b) December 31, 1995;

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- (10) "Internal Revenue Code", the federal Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended;
- (11) "Mandatory contributions", the contributions required to be deducted from the salary of each member who is not participating in DROP in accordance with section 86.320;
- (12) "Medical board", the board of physicians provided for in section 86.237;
- (13) "Member", a member of the retirement system as defined by sections 86.200 to 86.366;
- (14) "Members' interest", interest on accumulated
 contributions at such rate as may be set from time to time by the
 board of trustees;
 - (15) "Membership service", service as a policeman rendered since last becoming a member, except in the case of a member who has served in the armed forces of the United States and has subsequently been reinstated as a policeman, in which case

"membership service" means service as a policeman rendered since last becoming a member prior to entering such armed service;

- (16) "Plan year" or "limitation year", the twelve consecutive-month period beginning each October first and ending each September thirtieth;
- (17) "Policeman" or "police officer", any member of the police force of such cities who holds a rank in such police force for which the annual salary is listed in section 84.160, RSMo;
- (18) "Prior service", all service as a policeman rendered prior to the date the system becomes operative or prior to membership service which is creditable in accordance with the provisions of sections 86.200 to 86.366;
- (19) "Retirement allowance", annual payments for life as provided by sections 86.200 to 86.366 which shall be payable in equal monthly installments or any benefits in lieu thereof granted to a member upon termination of employment as a police officer and actual retirement;
- (20) "Retirement system", the police retirement system of the cities as defined in sections 86.200 to 86.366;
- (21) "Surviving spouse", the surviving spouse of a member who was the member's spouse at the time of the member's death.
- 86.213. 1. The general administration and the responsibility for the proper operation of the retirement system and for making effective the provisions of sections 86.200 to

86.366 are hereby vested in a board of trustees of ten persons.

The board shall be constituted as follows:

- (1) The president of the board of police commissioners of the city, ex officio. If the president is absent from any meeting of the board of trustees for any cause whatsoever, the president may be represented by any member of the board of police commissioners who in such case shall have full power to act as a member of the board of trustees;
- (2) The comptroller of the city, ex officio. If the comptroller is absent from any meeting of the board of trustees for any cause whatsoever, the comptroller may be represented by either the deputy comptroller or the first assistant comptroller who in such case shall have full power to act as a member of the said board of trustees;
- (3) Three members to be appointed by the mayor of the city to serve for a term of two years;
- (4) Three members to be elected by the members of the retirement system of the city for a term of three years; provided, however, that the term of office of the first three members so elected shall begin immediately upon their election and one such member's term shall expire one year from the date the retirement system becomes operative, another such member's term shall expire two years from the date the retirement system becomes operative and the other such member's term shall expire

three years from the date the retirement system becomes operative; provided, further, that such members shall be members of the system and hold office only while members of the system;

- (5) Two members who shall be retired members of the retirement system to be elected by the retired members of the retirement system for a term of three years; except that, the term of office of the first two members so elected shall begin immediately upon their election and one such member's term shall expire two years from the date of election and the other such member's term shall expire three years from the date of election.
- 2. Any member elected chairman of the board of trustees may serve [a total of four years in that capacity which shall be limited to no more than two consecutive terms] without term limitations.
- 3. Each commissioned elected trustee shall be granted travel time by the St. Louis metropolitan police department to attend any and all functions that have been authorized by the board of trustees of the police retirement system of St. Louis. Travel time for a trustee shall not exceed thirty days in any board fiscal year.
- 86.251. 1. The board of trustees may develop and establish a deferred retirement option plan (DROP) in which members who are eligible for retirement but who have not terminated employment as police officers and who have not actually retired may

participate. The DROP shall be designed to allow members with at least twenty years of creditable service or who have attained the age of fifty-five who have achieved eligibility for retirement and are entitled to a service retirement allowance and other benefits to postpone actual retirement, continue active employment and accumulate a deferred receipt of the service retirement allowance. No one shall participate in the DROP for a period exceeding five years.

- 2. Any member who has at least twenty years of creditable service or has attained the age of fifty-five may elect in writing before retirement to participate in the DROP. A member electing to participate in the DROP shall postpone actual retirement, shall continue in active employment and shall not receive any direct retirement allowance payments or benefits during the period of participation.
- 3. Upon the start of the participation in the DROP, the member shall cease to make any mandatory contributions to the system. No contribution shall be required by the city into the DROP account. During the period of participation in the DROP, the amount that the member would have received as a service retirement allowance if the member had actually retired instead of entering DROP shall be deposited monthly in the member's DROP account which shall be established in the member's name by the board of trustees. The member's service retirement allowance

shall not be adjusted for any cost-of-living increases for any period prior to the member's termination of employment as a police officer and actual retirement. Cost-of-living increases, if any, for any period following the member's termination of employment as a police officer and actual retirement shall be applied only to monthly service retirement payments made following termination of employment as a police officer and actual retirement. Service earned during the period of participation in the DROP shall not be creditable service and shall not be counted in determination of any service retirement allowance or surviving spouse's or dependents' benefits. Compensation paid during the period of participation in the DROP shall not be earnable compensation and shall not be counted in the determination of any service retirement allowance or surviving spouse's or dependent's benefits. The member's service retirement allowance shall be frozen as of the date the member enters DROP. Except as specifically provided in sections 86.200 to 86.366, the member's frozen service retirement allowance shall not increase while the member is participating in DROP or after the member's participation in DROP ends, and the member shall not share in any benefit improvement that is enacted or that becomes effective while such member is participating in the DROP.

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4. A member shall cease participation in the DROP upon the termination of the member's employment as a police officer and

actual retirement, or at the end of the five-year period commencing on the first day of the member's participation in the DROP, or as of the effective date, but in no event prior to October 1, 2001, of the member's election to return to active participation in the system, whichever occurs first. A member's election to return to active participation in the system before the end of the five-year period commencing on the first day of participation in the DROP shall be made and shall become effective in accordance with procedures established by the board of trustees, but in no event prior to October 1, 2001. Upon the member's termination of employment as a police officer and actual retirement, the member shall elect to receive the value of the member's DROP account, in one of the following forms of payment:

(a) A lump sum payment; or

(b) Equal monthly installments over a ten-year period.

Either form of payment should begin within thirty days after the member's notice to the board of trustees that the member has selected a particular option.

5. If a member who is participating in the DROP elects to return to active participation in the system or if a member who is participating in the DROP does not terminate employment as a police officer in the city for which the retirement system was established pursuant to sections 86.200 to 86.366 and actually

retires at the end of the five-year period commencing on the first day of the member's participation in the DROP, the member shall return to active participation in the system and shall resume making mandatory contributions to the system effective as of the day after participation in the DROP ends or, if later, October 1, 2001. The board of trustees shall notify the police commissioners to begin deducting mandatory contributions from the member's salary and the member's employment period shall count as creditable service beginning as of the day the member returns to active participation.

- 6. In no event shall a member whose participation in DROP has ended for any reason be eligible to participate in DROP again.
- 7. Upon the member's termination of employment as a police officer and actual retirement, the member's mandatory contributions to the retirement system shall be paid to the member pursuant to subsection 4 of section 86.253.
- 8. If a member dies prior to termination of employment as a police officer and actual retirement while participating in the DROP or before the member has received full withdrawal of the amount in the member's DROP account under the installment optional payment form, the remaining balance of the member's DROP account shall be payable to the member's surviving spouse; or, if the member is then unmarried, to the member's dependent children

in equal shares; or, if none, to the member's dependent mother or father; or, if none, to the member's designated beneficiary or, if no such beneficiary is then living, to the member's estate. Payment shall be made <u>in a lump sum</u> within sixty days after [the retirement system is notified of the member's death] receipt by the board of trustees of evidence and proof of the death of a member. In addition, the member's mandatory contributions, if any, that were not already paid to the member pursuant to subsection 4 of section 86.253 shall be paid to the member's surviving spouse pursuant to section 86.288.

- 9. If a member has elected to participate in the DROP and during such participation period applies for and receives benefits for an accidental disability retirement allowance pursuant to the provisions of section 86.263, the member shall forfeit all rights, claims or interest in the member's DROP account and the member's benefits shall be calculated as if the member has continued in employment and had not elected to participate in the DROP. Any portion of a DROP account that has been forfeited as provided in this subsection shall be a general asset of the system.
- 10. A member's DROP account shall earn interest equal to the rate of return earned by the system's investment portfolio on a market value basis, including realized and unrealized gains and losses, net of investment expense, as certified by the system's

actuary. As of the [first] last day of each plan year[,] 1 2 beginning [with the second fiscal year of] after DROP participation begins, the member's DROP account balance, 3 determined as of the [first] last day of [such] the prior plan 4 5 year, shall be credited with interest at the investment rate earned by the assets of the retirement system for [the] such 6 7 prior plan year. If distribution of the member's DROP account balance is [completed during the year] made in a lump sum under 8 subsection 4 or 8 of this section, interest for the plan year of 9 10 distribution shall be credited[, based] on the [beginning] ending balance for the prior plan year at the investment rate earned on 11 the assets of the retirement system for the prior plan year, in 12 13 proportion to the part of the plan year preceding the date of [final distribution. No interest shall be credited on amounts, 14 15 if any, added to the member's DROP account during the year in 16 which the distribution of the account is completed] the member's 17 termination of employment or death, whichever is earlier. If the 18 member's DROP account is paid in equal monthly installments 19 pursuant to subsection [5] 4 of this section, [any] interest 20 during the installment period shall be credited as of the last 21 day of each plan year ending after installment payment begins on 22 the account balance as of the first or last day of the plan year, 23 whichever is lower, at the investment rate earned by the assets of the system for the prior plan year. Interest for the year in 24

which the final installment is paid shall be credited on the balance remaining after the final installment is paid, at the investment rate earned on the assets of the system for the prior plan year, in proportion to the part of the plan year preceding payment of the final installment. Any interest credited to the DROP account during the installment period shall be paid as soon as reasonably possible after the final monthly installment. No interest shall be credited on amounts, if any, added to the member's DROP account during the year in which the distribution of the account is completed.

- 11. The board of trustees shall not incur any liability individually or on behalf of other individuals for any act or omission, made in good faith in relation to the DROP or assets credited to DROP accounts established by this section. The provisions of the Internal Revenue Code and regulations promulgated thereunder shall supersede any provision of this section if there is any inconsistency with the Internal Revenue Code or regulation.
- 12. Upon the receipt by the board of trustees of evidence and proof that the death of a member resulted from an event occurring while the member was in the actual performance of duty, and if the member is participating in the DROP, the member's surviving spouse or, if the member is then unmarried, the member's unmarried dependent children, may elect within thirty

days after the member's death to have the amount in the member's DROP account paid in the form of a monthly survivor annuity. Payment of the survivor annuity shall begin within sixty days after the election is received. Payment to the member's surviving spouse shall continue until the surviving spouse's death; payment to the member's unmarried dependent children shall be made while any child qualifies as an unmarried dependent child pursuant to section 86.280. The survivor annuity shall be the actuarial equivalent of the member's DROP account as of the date [payment begins] of the member's death. In no event shall the total amount paid pursuant to this subsection be less than the member's DROP account balance as of the date [payment begins] of the member's death.

86.254. 1. Beginning July 1, 1994, in addition to any other annuity, benefits, or retirement allowance provided pursuant to sections 86.200 to 86.366, each present and future retired member after attaining the age of sixty years shall, upon application to the board of trustees, be made, constituted, appointed and employed by the board of trustees as an advisor on the problems of retirement, aging and other matters, for the remainder of the retired member's life, and upon request of the board of trustees shall give opinions in writing or orally in response to such requests as may be required.

2. For the performance of duties required in subsection 1

of this section, each retired member employed as an advisor by the board of trustees shall be compensated monthly in an amount of [ten] twelve dollars and fifty cents per month multiplied by the number of years the retired member is past the age of sixty years. The compensation provided by this subsection shall be adjusted annually. No funding shall be required prior to the effective date of this benefit.

- 3. Beginning October 1, 1999, in addition to any other benefit provided to any surviving spouse pursuant to sections 86.200 to 86.366, each present and future surviving spouse of a member after attaining the age of sixty years shall upon application to the board of trustees, be made, constituted, appointed and employed by the board of trustees as an advisor on the problems of retirement, aging and other matters for the remainder of the surviving spouse's life or until the surviving spouse remarries, whichever is earlier, and upon request of the board of trustees shall give opinions in writing or orally in response to such requests as may be required.
- 4. For the performance of duties required in subsection 3 of this section, each surviving spouse of a member employed as an advisor by the board of trustees shall be compensated monthly in an amount of ten dollars per month multiplied by the number of years the surviving spouse is past the age of sixty years. The compensation provided by this subsection shall be adjusted

annually.

86.255. 1. Notwithstanding any other provision of the plan established in sections 86.200 to 86.366, if an eligible rollover distribution becomes payable to a distributee, the distributee may elect, at the time and in the manner prescribed by the board of trustees, to have any of the eligible rollover distribution paid directly to an eligible retirement plan specified by the distributee in a direct rollover.

- 2. For purposes of this section, the following terms mean:
- (1) "Direct rollover", a payment by the board of trustees from the fund to the eligible retirement plan specified by the distributee;
- (2) "Distributee", a member, a surviving spouse or a
 spouse;
- (3) "Eligible retirement plan", an individual retirement account described in Section 408(a) of the Internal Revenue Code, an individual retirement annuity described in Section 408(b) of the Internal Revenue Code, or a qualified trust described in Section 401(a) of the Internal Revenue Code that accepts the distributee's eligible rollover distribution or, effective for eligible rollover distributions made on or after January 1, 2002, an annuity contract described in Section 403(b) of the Internal Revenue Code or an eligible plan under Section 457(b) of the Internal Revenue Code which is maintained by a state, political

subdivision of a state, or any agency or instrumentality of a state or political subdivision of a state and which agrees to separately account for amounts transferred into such plan from this plan, and shall include, for eliqible rollover distributions made on or after January 1, 2002, a distribution to a surviving spouse or to a spouse or former spouse who is the alternate payee under a qualified domestic relations order, as defined in Section 414(p) of the Internal Revenue Code;

- (4) "Eligible rollover distribution", any distribution of all or any portion of a member's benefit, other than:
- (a) A distribution that is one of a series of substantially equal periodic payments, made not less frequently than annually, for the life or life expectancy of the distributee or for the joint lives or joint life expectancies of the distributee and the distributee's designated beneficiary, or for a specified period of ten years or more;
- (b) The portion of a distribution that is required under Section 401(a)(9) of the Internal Revenue Code; or
- (c) [The] Effective for distributions made on or after

 January 1, 2002, a portion of [any] a distribution [that is not includable in] shall not fail to be an eligible rollover

 distribution merely because the portion consists of after-tax

 employee contributions which are not includable in gross income.

 However, such portion may be transferred only to an individual

retirement account or annuity described in Section 408(a) or (b)
of the Internal Revenue Code, or to a qualified defined
contribution plan described in Section 401(a) or 403(a) of the
Internal Revenue Code that agrees to separately account for
amounts so transferred, including to separately account for the
portion of such distribution which is includable in gross income
and the portion that is not so includable.

- 3. The board of trustees shall, at least thirty days, but not more than ninety days, before making an eligible rollover distribution, provide a written explanation to the distributee in accordance with the requirements of Section 402(f) of the Internal Revenue Code.
- 4. If the eligible rollover distribution is not subject to Sections 401(a) and 417 of the Internal Revenue Code, such eligible rollover distribution may be made less than thirty days after the distributee has received the notice described in subsection 3 of this section, provided that:
- (1) The board of trustees clearly informs the distributee of the distributee's right to consider whether to elect a direct rollover, and if applicable, a particular distribution option, for at least thirty days after the distributee receives the notice; and
- (2) The distributee, after receiving the notice, affirmatively elects a distribution.

86.256. 1. In no event shall a member's annual benefit paid under the plan established pursuant to sections 86.200 to 86.366 exceed the amount specified in Section 415(b)(1)(A) of the Internal Revenue Code, as adjusted for any applicable increases in the cost of living, as in effect on the last day of the plan year, including any increases after the member's termination of employment.

- 2. Effective for limitation years beginning after December 31, 2001, in no event shall the annual additions to the plan established pursuant to sections 86.200 to 86.366, on behalf of the member, including the member's own mandatory contributions, exceed the lesser of:
- (1) [Twenty-five] <u>One hundred</u> percent of the member's compensation, as defined for purposes of Section 415(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, for the limitation year; or
- (2) [Thirty] <u>Forty</u> thousand dollars, as adjusted for increases in the cost of living <u>under Section 415(d) of the Internal Revenue Code</u>.
- 3. Effective for limitation years beginning prior to January 1, 2000, in no event shall the combined plan limitation of Section 415(e) of the Internal Revenue Code be exceeded; provided that, if necessary to avoid exceeding such limitation, the member's annual benefit under the plan established pursuant to sections 86.200 to 86.366 shall be reduced to the extent

necessary to satisfy such limitations.

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- 4. For purposes of this section, Section 415 of the Internal Revenue Code, including the special rules under Section 415(b) applicable to governmental plans and qualified participants [in] employed by a police [and] or fire department [plans], is incorporated in this section by reference.
- 86.294. 1. Notwithstanding any other provision of the plan established in sections 86.200 to 86.366, and subject to the provisions of subsections 2, 3, and 4 of this section, effective January 1, 2002, the plan shall accept a member's rollover contribution or direct rollover of an eligible rollover distribution made on or after January 1, 2002, from a qualified plan described in Section 401(a) or 403(a) of the Internal Revenue Code, or an annuity contract described in Section 403(b) of the Internal Revenue Code, or an eligible plan under Section 457(b) of the Internal Revenue Code which is maintained by a state, political subdivision of a state, or any agency or instrumentality of a state or political subdivision of a state. The plan will also accept a member's rollover contribution of the portion of a distribution from an individual retirement account or annuity described in Section 408(a) or (b) of the Internal Revenue Code that is eligible to be <u>rolled over and would</u> otherwise be includable in gross income.
 - 2. The amount of such rollover contribution or direct

rollover of an eligible rollover distribution shall not exceed the amount required to repay the member's accumulated contributions plus the applicable members' interest thereon from the date of withdrawal to the date of repayment in order to receive credit for such prior service in accordance with section 86.210, to the extent that Section 415 of the Internal Revenue Code does not apply to such repayment by reason of subsection (k)(3) thereof, or to purchase permissive service credit, as defined in Section 415(n)(3)(A) of the Internal Revenue Code, for the member under the plan in accordance with the provisions of section 105.691, RSMo.

3. Acceptance of any rollover contribution or direct rollover of eligible rollover distribution under this section shall be subject to the approval of the board of trustees and shall be made in accordance with procedures established by the board of trustees.

- 4. In no event shall the plan accept any rollover contribution or direct rollover distribution to the extent that such contribution or distribution consists of after-tax employee contributions which are not includable in gross income.
- 86.296. 1. Notwithstanding any other provision of the plan established in sections 86.200 to 86.366, and subject to the provisions of subsections 2 and 3 of this section, effective

 January 1, 2002, the plan shall accept a direct trustee-to-

trustee transfer on behalf of a member from an annuity contract

described in Section 403(b) of the Internal Revenue Code or an

eligible plan under Section 457(b) of the Internal Revenue Code

which is maintained by a state, political subdivision of a state,

or any agency or instrumentality of a state or political

subdivision.

- 2. A trustee-to-trustee transfer may be accepted by the plan only if the transfer is used to repay the member's accumulated contributions plus the applicable members' interest thereon from the date of withdrawal to the date of repayment in order to receive credit for such prior service in accordance with section 86.210, to the extent that Section 415 of the Internal Revenue Code does not apply to such repayment by reason of subsection (k)(3) thereof, or to purchase permissive service credit, as defined in Section 415(n)(3)(A) of the Internal Revenue Code, for the member under the plan in accordance with the provisions of section 105.691, RSMO.
- 3. Acceptance of any trustee-to-trustee transfer under this section shall be subject to the approval of the board of trustees and shall be made in accordance with procedures established by the board of trustees.
- 87.177. 1. Any firefighter who terminates employment with five or more years of service but less than twenty years may apply at age sixty-two for a service retirement allowance. Upon

written application to the board of trustees the benefit payable shall be equal to two percent times years of service times the average final compensation, and the member shall also be repaid the total amount of the member's contribution, without interest.

- 2. The benefits provided in subsection 1 of this section shall be in lieu of any benefits payable pursuant to the provisions of section 87.240.
- 3. Any survivor of a firefighter retiring pursuant to the provisions of subsection 1 of this section shall be entitled to fifty percent of the retirement allowance of the retired member at his or her date of death.
- 4. Any surviving spouse of a firefighter who had five or more years of service but less than twenty years and who dies prior to application for retirement benefits payable pursuant to this section shall be entitled to fifty percent of the retirement allowance of the member at his or her date of death payable at the date the member would have reached age sixty-two, or to the immediate refund of the member's contribution plus interest. If no surviving spouse exists, a benefit shall be payable pursuant to subdivisions (2) and (3) of subsection 1 of section 87.220, or by the immediate refund of the member's contribution plus interest.
- 5. Any firefighter retiring pursuant to the provisions of this section shall be entitled to receive a cost-of-living

allowance of five percent per year for a maximum of five years.

87.231. 1. In lieu of any benefits payable pursuant to section 87.230, any surviving spouse who is receiving retirement benefits, upon application to the board of trustees of the retirement system, shall be made, constituted, appointed and employed by the board as a special consultant on the problems of retirement, aging, and other state matters, for the remainder of his or her life, and upon request of the board, give opinions, and be available to give opinions in writing, or orally, in response to such request, as may be required, and for such services shall be compensated monthly, in an amount, which, when added to any monthly retirement benefits being received, shall not exceed fifty percent of the deceased member's average final compensation or five hundred twenty-five dollars, whichever is greater.

- 2. This compensation shall be consolidated with any other retirement benefits payable to such surviving spouse, and shall be paid in the manner and from the same fund as his or her other retirement benefits under this chapter, and shall be treated in all aspects under the laws of this state as retirement benefits paid pursuant to this chapter.
- 3. The employment provided for by this section shall in no way affect any person's eligibility for retirement benefits under this chapter, or in any way have the effect of reducing

retirement benefits, anything to the contrary notwithstanding.

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104.625. Effective [January] <u>July</u> 1, 2002, any member retiring pursuant to the provisions of sections 104.010 to 104.801, except an elected official or a member of the general assembly, who has not been paid retirement benefits and continues employment for at least two years beyond normal retirement age, may elect to receive an annuity and lump sum payment or payments, determined as follows:

- (1) A retroactive starting date shall be established which shall be [the later of the date when a normal annuity would have first been payable had the member retired at that time or five years before the annuity starting date, which shall be the first day of the month with respect to which an amount is paid as annuity pursuant to this section] a date selected by the member; provided, however, that the retroactive starting date selected by the member shall not be a date which is earlier than the date when a normal annuity would have first been payable. In addition, the retroactive starting date shall not be more than five years prior to the annuity starting date, which shall be the first day of the month with respect to which an amount is paid as an annuity pursuant to this section. The member's selection of a retroactive starting date shall be done in twelve-month increments, except this restriction shall not apply when the member selects the total available time between the retroactive starting date and the annuity starting date;
 - (2) The prospective annuity payable as of the annuity

starting date shall be determined pursuant to the provisions otherwise applicable under the law, with the exception that it shall be the amount which would have been payable had the member actually retired on the retroactive starting date under the retirement plan selected by the member. Other than for the lump sum payment or payments specified in subdivision (3) of this section, no other amount shall be due for the period between the retroactive starting date and the annuity starting date;

- (3) The lump sum payable shall be ninety percent of the annuity amounts which would have been paid to the member from the retroactive starting date to the annuity starting date had the member actually retired on the retroactive starting date and received a normal annuity. The member shall elect to receive the lump sum amount either in its entirety at the same time as the initial annuity payment is made or in three equal annual installments with the first payment made at the same time as the initial annuity payment; [and]
- (4) Any annuity payable pursuant to this section that is subject to a division of benefit order pursuant to section 104.312 shall be calculated as follows:
- (a) Any service of a member between the retroactive starting date and the annuity starting date shall not be considered creditable service except for purposes of calculating the division of benefit; and
- (b) The lump sum payment described in subdivision (3) of this section shall not be subject to any division of benefit

order; and

- (5) For purposes of determining annual benefit increases payable as part of the lump sum and annuity provided pursuant to this section, the retroactive starting date shall be considered the member's date of retirement.
- 104.1024. 1. Any member who terminates employment may retire on or after attaining normal retirement eligibility by making application in written form and manner approved by the appropriate board. The written application shall set forth the annuity starting date which shall not be earlier than the first day of the second month following the month of the execution and filing of the member's application for retirement nor later than the first day of the fourth month following the month of the execution and filing of the member's application for retirement.
- 2. A member's annuity shall be paid in the form of a life annuity, except as provided in section 104.1027, and shall be an amount for life equal to one and seven-tenths percent of the final average pay of the member multiplied by the member's years of credited service.
- 3. The life annuity defined in subsection 2 of this section shall not be less than a monthly amount equal to fifteen dollars multiplied by the member's full years of credited service.
- 4. If as of the annuity starting date of a member who has attained normal retirement eligibility the sum of the member's years of age and years of credited service equals eighty or more years and if the member's age is at least fifty years but less

than sixty-two years, or, in the case of a member of the highway patrol who shall be subject to the mandatory retirement provision of section 104.080, the mandatory retirement age and completion of five years of credited service, then in addition to the life annuity described in subsection 2 of this section, the member shall receive a temporary annuity equal to eight-tenths of one percent of the member's final average pay multiplied by the member's years of credited service. The temporary annuity and any cost-of-living adjustments attributable to the temporary annuity pursuant to section 104.1045 shall terminate at the end of the calendar month in which the earlier of the following events occurs: the member's death or the member's attainment of the earliest age of eligibility for reduced Social Security retirement benefits.

- 5. The annuity described in subsection 2 of this section for any person who has credited service not covered by the federal Social Security Act, as provided in sections 105.300 to 105.445, RSMo, shall be calculated as follows: the life annuity shall be an amount equal to two and five-tenths percent of the final average pay of the member multiplied by the number of years of service not covered by the federal Social Security Act in addition to one and seven-tenths percent of the final average pay of the member multiplied by the member's years of credited service covered by the federal Social Security Act.
- 6. Effective [January] <u>July</u> 1, 2002, any member, except an elected official or a member of the general assembly, who has not

been paid retirement benefits and continues employment for at least two years beyond the date of normal retirement eligibility, may elect to receive an annuity and lump sum payment or payments, determined as follows:

- (1) A retroactive starting date shall be established which shall be [the later of the first day of retirement eligibility or five years before the annuity starting date] a date selected by the member; provided, however, that the retroactive starting date selected by the member shall not be a date which is earlier than the date when a normal annuity would have first been payable. In addition, the retroactive starting date shall not be more than five years prior to the annuity starting date. The member's selection of a retroactive starting date shall be done in twelvementh increments, except this restriction shall not apply when the member selects the total available time between the retroactive starting date and the annuity starting date;
- (2) The prospective annuity payable as of the annuity starting date shall be determined pursuant to the provisions of this section, with the exception that it shall be the amount which would have been payable at the annuity starting date had the member actually retired on the retroactive starting date under the retirement plan selected by the member. Other than for the lump sum payment or payments specified in subdivision (3) of this subsection, no other amount shall be due for the period between the retroactive starting date and the annuity starting date;

(3) The lump sum payable shall be ninety percent of the annuity amounts which would have been paid to the member from the retroactive starting date to the annuity starting date had the member actually retired on the retroactive starting date and received a life annuity. The member shall elect to receive the lump sum amount either in its entirety at the same time as the initial annuity payment is made or in three equal annual installments with the first payment made at the same time as the initial annuity payment; [and]

- (4) Any annuity payable pursuant to this section that is subject to a division of benefit order pursuant to section 104.1051 shall be calculated as follows:
- (a) Any service of a member between the retroactive starting date and the annuity starting date shall not be considered credited service except for purposes of calculating the division of benefit; and
- (b) The lump sum payment described in subdivision (3) of this section shall not be subject to any division of benefit order; and
- (5) For purposes of determining annual benefit increases payable as part of the lump sum and annuity provided pursuant to this section, the retroactive starting date shall be considered the member's date of retirement.
- Section B. Because immediate action is necessary to provide equitable treatment and timely application of certain pension benefits and compensation, section A of this act is deemed

necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health,
welfare, peace, and safety, and is hereby declared to be an
emergency act within the meaning of the constitution, and section
A of this act shall be in full force and effect on July 1, 2002,

or upon its passage and approval, whichever occurs later.